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Programming Policy**

INTERIM UPDATE 03-02

SUBJECT: USAID/DCHA Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance's Guidance for Disaster Planning and Response - FY 2003 (Includes Supplemental Guidance)

NEW MATERIAL: The following cable provides general guidance to all posts concerning support from USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance within the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance (DCHA/OFDA) before, during, and after the occurrence of natural and man-made disasters in fiscal year (FY) 2003. The cable is supplemented a second cable with more detailed guidance to be provided to mission disaster relief officers (MDROS).

SUPERSEDES: Series 200, Interim Update 01-06, USAID/BHR Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance's Guidance for Disaster Planning and Response - FY 2002

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SUBJECT: USAID/DCHA OFFICE OF U.S. FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE'S
GUIDANCE FOR DISASTER PLANNING AND RESPONSE - FY 2003

AMEMBASSY AMBS, AND MISSION DISASTER RELIEF OFFICERS,
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REF: (A) STATE 198828 (NOVEMBER 16, 2001); B) ADS 251

SUMMARY

1. SUMMARY: THIS CABLE PROVIDES GENERAL GUIDANCE TO ALL POSTS CONCERNING SUPPORT FROM USAID'S OFFICE OF U.S. FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE WITHIN THE BUREAU FOR DEMOCRACY, CONFLICT, AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE (DCHA/OFDA) BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE OCCURRENCE OF NATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS IN FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2003. THIS CABLE WILL BE SUPPLEMENTED BY MORE DETAILED GUIDANCE TO BE PROVIDED TO MISSION DISASTER RELIEF OFFICERS (MDROS). THIS CABLE HAS ALSO BEEN CLEARED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S M/P (SEP). END SUMMARY.

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2. DCHA/OFDA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE AND COORDINATING THE U.S. GOVERNMENT (USG) RESPONSE TO DECLARED DISASTERS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES. DCHA/OFDA'S MISSION IS TO MINIMIZE AND WHERE POSSIBLE, PREVENT LOSS OF LIFE, HUMAN SUFFERING, AND DAMAGE TO ECONOMIC ASSETS IN DISASTER-AFFECTED COUNTRIES.

WHEN A DISASTER OCCURS

3. THE MDRO: THE MISSION DISASTER RELIEF OFFICER (MDRO) IS THE DESIGNATED OFFICIAL IN EACH U.S. EMBASSY OR USAID MISSION RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING THE POST'S DISASTER RESPONSE EFFORTS. THE MDRO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING AND MAINTAINING THE MISSION DISASTER RELIEF PLAN (MDRP) AND ENSURES THAT MISSION PERSONNEL ARE FAMILIAR WITH ITS CONTENTS; LIAISING WITH GOVERNMENT DISASTER AUTHORITIES ON AN ONGOING BASIS TO ENSURE FAMILIARITY WITH DISASTER RISKS AND ORGANIZATIONAL RESPONSE CAPACITIES/ARRANGEMENTS; SERVING AS THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER FOR THE POST'S EMERGENCY ACTION COMMITTEE (EAC) DURING ALL PHASES OF THE DISASTER; AND ACTING AS THE POST'S COORDINATOR OF USG DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS IN-COUNTRY. ONCE A DISASTER OCCURS, THE MDRO SHOULD CONTACT ONE OF DCHA/OFDA'S REGIONAL OFFICES IN THE FIELD OR STAFF IN WASHINGTON (SEE PARAS 7-10) TO PROVIDE ADVANCE WARNING AND TO SEEK ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE.

4. CRITERIA FOR DECLARING A DISASTER: DCHA/OFDA CAN ONLY PROVIDE ASSISTANCE BASED ON A FULLY JUSTIFIED DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE FROM THE U.S. AMBASSADOR AND/OR CHIEF OF MISSION (COM). (FOR COUNTRIES WITHOUT AN OFFICIAL U.S.

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DIPLOMATIC PRESENCE, THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE APPROPRIATE REGION MAY DECLARE A DISASTER VIA A MEMORANDUM FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO USAID/DCHA/OFDA.) TO DECLARE A DISASTER AND REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM DCHA/OFDA, IT MUST BE DEMONSTRATED THAT THREE CRITERIA HAVE BEEN SATISFIED: 1) THE DISASTER IS BEYOND THE ABILITY OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND; 2) THE HOST GOVERNMENT HAS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED OR INDICATED IT WILL ACCEPT USG ASSISTANCE; AND 3) A DISASTER RESPONSE IS IN THE INTEREST OF THE USG. OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE IS A FACTUAL DESCRIPTION OF THE MAGNITUDE OF THE DISASTER AND WHY IT IS BEYOND THE ABILITY OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND. THIS REQUIRES INFORMATION REGARDING THE RESPONSE CAPACITY OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT; THE ESTIMATED TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE AFFECTED, INCLUDING KILLED, INJURED, AND/OR DISPLACED/HOMELESS; GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION AND/OR SCOPE OF THE DISASTER; DAMAGE TO INFRASTRUCTURE, CROPS, AND LIVESTOCK; OTHER DONOR EFFORTS/CONTRIBUTIONS; AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT INFORMATION THAT IS AVAILABLE. THE DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE SHOULD BE PREPARED IN CONSULTATION WITH DCHA/OFDA'S REGIONAL OR WASHINGTON OFFICE. A PROMPT RESPONSE BY DCHA/OFDA WILL BE FACILITATED BY A DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE THAT CLEARLY DESCRIBES THE SCOPE AND SCALE OF THE DISASTER AS WELL AS SATISFYING THE ESTABLISHED CRITERIA.

5. DISASTER ASSISTANCE REQUEST: IN THE DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR OR COM CAN REQUEST UP TO USD 50,000 FOR IMMEDIATE DISASTER RELIEF FROM DCHA/OFDA. THE CABLE MUST PROVIDE A CLEAR DESCRIPTION OF HOW THESE FUNDS WILL BE USED, AND THROUGH WHAT ORGANIZATION THE FUNDS WILL BE CHANNLED. DCHA/OFDA'S REGIONAL AND/OR WASHINGTON OFFICE WILL COORDINATE WITH THE MDRO TO DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE. DCHA/OFDA FUNDS ARE TO BE USED FOR IMMEDIATE DISASTER RELIEF OR

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REHABILITATION, NOT FOR LONG-TERM RECONSTRUCTION.

6. DCHA/OFDA RESPONSE OPTIONS: IN ADDITION TO RELEASING UP TO USD 50,000 OF DISASTER ASSISTANCE FUNDS, DCHA/OFDA HAS SEVERAL ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR PROVIDING DISASTER ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING: DEPLOYMENT OF A USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISOR, AN ASSESSMENT TEAM OR A DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAM (DART); PROVISION OF RELIEF COMMODITIES FROM DCHA/OFDA STOCKPILES; DISASTER FUNDING OF NGO, AND UNITED NATIONS PROPOSALS BY PROVIDING A FUND CITE TO POST OR PROVIDING THE FUNDS DIRECTLY TO THE ORGANIZATION FROM DCHA/OFDA/WASHINGTON. DCHA/OFDA CAN SUPPORT A WIDE RANGE OF HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. DCHA/OFDA ALSO MAINTAINS A MILITARY LIAISON UNIT (MLU) TO FACILITATE CIVILIAN-MILITARY ACTIVITIES THROUGH COLLABORATIVE PLANNING, OPERATIONS, AND TRAINING. DCHA/OFDA MAY UTILIZE A COMBINATION OF THESE OPTIONS, OR IT MAY DETERMINE THAT DCHA/OFDA'S ASSISTANCE IS NOT APPROPRIATE OR NEEDED.

REGIONAL OFFICE CONTACTS

7. LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN: MR. PAUL BELL IS DCHA/OFDA'S SENIOR REGIONAL ADVISOR FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (LAC), LOCATED IN SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA. MR. BELL AND HIS REGIONAL ADVISORS CAN BE REACHED AT 506-296-3554. AN ADDITIONAL LAC REGIONAL ADVISOR, MS. JULIE LEONARD IS BASED IN BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS AND MAY BE REACHED AT 246-228-8584.

8. ASIA AND THE PACIFIC: MR. TOM DOLAN IS DCHA/OFDA'S ASIA AND PACIFIC SENIOR REGIONAL ADVISOR IN MANILA, PHILIPPINES. MR.
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DOLAN AND HIS REGIONAL ADVISOR CAN BE REACHED AT 63-2-552-9800/552-9900 EXT. 9884. AN ADDITIONAL ASIA AND THE PACIFIC REGIONAL ADVISOR, MR. WILLIAM BERGER, IS BASED IN KATHMANDU, NEPAL, AND CAN BE REACHED AT 977-1-270-144.

9. AFRICA: MR. PETER RILEY IS DCHA/OFDA'S SENIOR REGIONAL ADVISOR FOR EAST, CENTRAL, AND SOUTHERN AFRICA AND IS BASED IN NAIROBI, KENYA. MR. RILEY AND HIS REGIONAL ADVISORS CAN BE REACHED AT 254-2-862-920.

DCHA/OFDA/WASHINGTON CONTACTS

10. DCHA/OFDA/WASHINGTON: ALL REQUESTS FOR FUNDS, SITUATION REPORTS, AND OTHER INFORMATION, AS WELL AS REQUESTS BY THOSE POSTS NOT COVERED BY ONE OF THE REGIONAL OFFICES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE RESPONSE TEAM LEADER, MICHAEL MARX, OR APPROPRIATE DCHA/OFDA WASHINGTON-BASED REGIONAL COORDINATOR. MR. MARX CAN BE REACHED AT 202-712-0853. MISSIONS/EMBASSIES ALSO MAY CALL DCHA/OFDA AT 202-712-0400 DURING DAYTIME HOURS (0800-1700 HOURS LOCAL TIME) IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AFTER BUSINESS HOURS, EVENINGS, WEEKENDS, AND HOLIDAYS, THE DCHA/OFDA DUTY OFFICER CAN BE CONTACTED BY CALLING THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S OPERATIONS CENTER AT 202-647-1512. DCHA/OFDA'S FAX NUMBERS ARE: 202-216-3706/3707.

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ASSISTANCE'S SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDANCE FOR DISASTER PLANNING
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SUMMARY

1. SUMMARY: THIS CABLE PROVIDES SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE TO POSTS AND SPECIFICALLY MISSION DISASTER RELIEF OFFICERS (MDRO) FROM USAID'S OFFICE OF U.S. FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE WITHIN THE BUREAU FOR DEMOCRACY, CONFLICT, AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE (USAID/OFDA). USAID/OFDA'S MISSION, CAPABILITIES, AND SUPPORT CAPACITIES IN COORDINATING AND MANAGING USG ASSISTANCE IN RESPONSE TO NATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS ARE OUTLINED. PROCEDURES HIGHLIGHT THE NEED FOR CONTINUOUS OFDA/MISSION COLLABORATION IN THE PLANNING PROCESS FOR DISASTERS AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR REGULAR AND SUSTAINED COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN MDRO AND USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS AND COORDINATORS TO ENSURE THAT USG EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE WILL BE TIMELY, APPROPRIATE, AND EFFECTIVE. THE SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS CABLE EXPANDS ON THE FY 2003 USAID/OFDA GUIDANCE PREVIOUSLY

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PROVIDED IN REFTEL A AND SHOULD BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH

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REFTEL B. POSTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT USAID/OFDA REGIONAL
ADVISORS AND COORDINATORS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, GUIDANCE,
AND CLARIFICATIONS. THIS CABLE HAS ALSO BEEN CLEARED BY CHRISTINE
EDMUNDS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S HR/RMA/CSEP. END SUMMARY.

USAID/OFDA'S MISSION

2. USAID'S OFFICE OF U.S. FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (USAID/OFDA)
IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE AND
COORDINATING THE U.S. GOVERNMENT (USG) RESPONSE TO DECLARED
DISASTERS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES. IN ADDITION TO RESPONDING TO THE
IMMEDIATE NEEDS OF DISASTER VICTIMS, USAID/OFDA SEEKS TO ADDRESS
THE UNDERLYING HAZARDS AND VULNERABILITIES THAT CREATE DISASTER
RISKS AND EXACERBATE IMPACTS THROUGH SUPPORT FOR PROGRAMS IN
DISASTER MITIGATION, PREPAREDNESS, AND TRAINING. (NOTE:
USAID/OFDA'S RESPONSIBILITY AND AUTHORITY IS SPECIFIED IN THE
FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961, AS AMENDED, SECTIONS 491-493.
END NOTE.)

DESIGNATION AND ROLE OF AN MDRO

3. THE MISSION DISASTER RELIEF OFFICER (MDRO) IS THE FOCAL
POINT AT POST FOR DISASTER RELATED ACTIVITIES AND
INFORMATION AND AS SUCH SHOULD BE A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE
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POST'S EMERGENCY ACTION COMMITTEE (EAC). THE MDRO IS
RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING AND MAINTAINING THE MISSION
DISASTER RELIEF PLAN (MDRP) AND ENSURING THAT POST
PERSONNEL ARE FAMILIAR WITH ITS CONTENTS; LIAISING WITH
GOVERNMENT DISASTER AUTHORITIES ON AN ONGOING BASIS TO
ENSURE FAMILIARITY WITH DISASTER RISKS AND HOST NATION
ORGANIZATIONAL RESPONSE CAPACITIES/ARRANGEMENTS; SERVING
AS THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER FOR THE POST'S EAC DURING
ALL PHASES OF A DISASTER; AND ACTING AS THE POST'S
COORDINATOR OF USG DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS IN-COUNTRY.
POSTS SHOULD ENSURE THAT INFORMATION REGARDING MDRO AND
ALTERNATE DESIGNATIONS ARE CURRENT AND UPDATED AS REQUIRED
BY CABLE TO USAID/OFDA/WASHINGTON AND APPROPRIATE USAID/OFDA
REGIONAL OFFICES INCLUDING TITLES, CONTACT NUMBERS (WORK,
HOME, AND FAX), AND TOUR END DATES.

4. AS PART OF DISASTER PLANNING, MDRO SHOULD BE FAMILIAR
WITH HOST COUNTRY RESOURCES AND DISASTER RESPONSE CAPACITIES
INCLUDING: 1) GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND KEY MINISTRIES AND
OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR DISASTER RESPONSE MANAGEMENT;
2) NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOS), U.N. AGENCIES, AND
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (IO) WORKING IN THE HOST COUNTRY;
3) SOURCES FOR AVAILABLE SERVICES AND SUPPLIES FOR LOCAL

PROCUREMENT OF EMERGENCY RELIEF COMMODITIES, SERVICES,
AND TRANSPORT; 4) INTERNATIONAL DONOR AND EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES AS
WELL AS LIKELY MECHANISMS FOR COORDINATION; 5) COUNTRY TEAM TECHNICAL
EXPERTISE; AND 6) RESOURCES AND INTERAGENCY LIAISON PROCEDURES,
INCLUDING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) REPRESENTATIVES. IN ADDITION,
THE MDRO SHOULD HAVE CLEAR AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPLICIT LINES OF
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AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISSION MONITORING, COORDINATING,
AND REPORTING ON POTENTIAL AND ACTUAL DISASTER SITUATIONS
AS WELL AS MANAGING THE USG RESPONSE.

DEVELOPING A MISSION DISASTER RELIEF PLAN

5. THE MISSION DISASTER RELIEF PLAN (MDRP) IS A FIRST STEP IN
ACHIEVING A POST'S STATE OF DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND AS A
REFERENCE IN TIMES OF POTENTIAL DISASTER EMERGENCIES. THE
MDRP DELINEATES ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR POST PERSONNEL
AND THE MDRO, CLARIFIES AUTHORITY AND LINES OF COMMUNICATION,
ASSESSES HOST NATION VULNERABILITY TO DISASTERS, AND SETS FORTH
GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF EMERGENCY AND DISASTER
OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF USG RELIEF ASSISTANCE.
THE DISASTER-PRONE STATUS OF A COUNTRY WILL DETERMINE THE
AMOUNT OF DETAIL REQUIRED IN DEVELOPING AN MDRP. (THE MDRP
SHOULD BE FILED AS SECTION 700 OF THE EMBASSY'S EMERGENCY
ACTION PLAN TO ASSURE READY ACCESS AND REGULAR REVIEW AND ACCURACY.)
A SUGGESTED FORMAT FOR THE MDRP CAN BE PROVIDED BY USAID/OFDA UPON
REQUEST. USAID/OFDA IS PREPARED TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OR
STAFF TO DEVELOP AN INITIAL MDRP OR TO ASSIST IN THE UPDATING OF
THE PLAN.

WHEN A DISASTER OCCURS

6. FIRST STEPS: THERE ARE SEVERAL ACTIONS THAT THE MDRO SHOULD
UNDERTAKE WHEN A SIGNIFICANT DISASTER EVENT OCCURS. FIRST, THE
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MDRO NEEDS TO VERIFY THE SCOPE AND MAGNITUDE OF THE OCCURRENCE
AND THE HUMANITARIAN CONSEQUENCES THROUGH ESTABLISHED INFORMATION
CONTACTS AND NETWORKS INCLUDING HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, NGOS,
U.N. AND IO REPRESENTATIVES, RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES,
OTHER EMBASSIES, AND DONORS PRIOR TO NOTIFYING THE U.S. AMBASSADOR
AND/OR USAID MISSION DIRECTOR. THE MDRO'S INITIAL POINT OF CONTACT
SHOULD BE USAID/OFDA'S REGIONAL ADVISORS IN THE AFFECTED
REGION TO ENSURE EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS FLOW AND LIAISON. IF IT

APPEARS LIKELY THAT USG ASSISTANCE IS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE, THE MDRO SHOULD THEN DRAFT A DISASTER ALERT CABLE TO USAID/OFDA/ WASHINGTON PROVIDING BACKGROUND AND CURRENT SITUATION INFORMATION ABOUT THE DISASTER EVENT. THIS CABLE SHOULD BE SENT EVEN IF POST HAS NO IMMEDIATE PLANS FOR REQUESTING DISASTER ASSISTANCE FROM USAID/OFDA (SEE PARA 7). THE TEXT SHOULD INCLUDE AND DISCUSS POST'S ANTICIPATED COURSE OF ACTION. THE ADDRESSEE ON THE CAPTION LINE OF ALL FIELD CABLES NEEDS TO BE DCHA/OFDA FOR INTERNAL USAID ROUTING PURPOSES AND INFORMATION PROVIDED IN DISASTER ALERT CABLES SHOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED.

7. ISSUING A DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE: TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM USAID/OFDA, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR OR ACTING CHIEF OF MISSION (COM) DETERMINES IF THE DISASTER HAS SATISFIED THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA: 1) THE DISASTER IS BEYOND THE ABILITY OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND; 2) THE HOST COUNTRY HAS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED OR INDICATED IT WILL ACCEPT USG ASSISTANCE; AND 3) A DISASTER RESPONSE IS IN THE INTEREST OF THE USG. THIS DETERMINATION SHOULD BE MADE IN CONSULTATION WITH USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS. FOR COUNTRIES WITHOUT AN OFFICIAL U.S. DIPLOMATIC PRESENCE, THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE APPROPRIATE REGION MAY DECLARE A DISASTER VIA A MEMORANDUM FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO USAID/OFDA/WASHINGTON. IN THE EVENT

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THAT POST CANNOT PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY, THE DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE ALONE MAY BE USED IN LIEU OF THE DISASTER ALERT CABLE.

8. INFORMATION TO INCLUDE IN THE DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE: THE CABLE FROM POST REQUESTING USAID/OFDA'S ASSISTANCE NEEDS TO DESCRIBE THE DISASTER EVENT AND SPECIFICALLY PROVIDE: 1) THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE HOST COUNTRY NEEDS ASSISTANCE TO RESPOND ADEQUATELY TO THE DISASTER; 2) WHETHER THE HOST GOVERNMENT HAS REQUESTED OR WILL ACCEPT USG ASSISTANCE; AND 3) THE INTENDED USE OF REQUESTED RESOURCES INCLUDING ORGANIZATIONS AND FUNDING PURPOSES. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION REQUESTED INCLUDES: ESTIMATED NUMBERS OF PEOPLE AFFECTED, DEATHS, INJURED, AND DISPLACED/HOMELESS; IMMEDIATE HUMANITARIAN NEEDS; DISASTER BACKGROUND INFORMATION SUCH AS GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION, DAMAGE TO INFRASTRUCTURE, CROPS, AND LIVESTOCK; OTHER DONOR EFFORTS/CONTRIBUTIONS; AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT INFORMATION THAT IS AVAILABLE.

9. OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS BY MDRO: IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE ACTIONS, THE MDRO SHOULD ALSO START A LOG OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND CABLE REGULAR, NUMBERED SITUATION REPORTS TO USAID/OFDA THAT UPDATE AND EXPAND ON THE INITIAL DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE. THE MDRO SHOULD MAINTAIN REGULAR CONTACT WITH RELEVANT ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS; USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS; DOD OFFICIALS; NGOS; IOS; U.N. AGENCIES; OTHER DONORS; ASSEMBLE THE EAC, IF NECESSARY; GATHER PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENTS OF FUNDING, COMMODITY, AND OTHER OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING LOGISTICS AND TRANSPORT; AND IDENTIFY POTENTIAL RELIEF CHANNELS.

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10. DISASTER ASSISTANCE REQUEST: THE U.S. AMBASSADOR OR ACTING COM CAN REQUEST UP TO USD 50,000 FOR IMMEDIATE DISASTER RELIEF FROM USAID/OFDA. THE DISASTER DECLARATION CABLE MUST PROVIDE A CLEAR DESCRIPTION AS TO WHOM AND HOW THESE DISCRETIONARY FUNDS WILL BE USED. USAID/OFDA'S REGIONAL AND/OR WASHINGTON OFFICE WILL COORDINATE WITH THE MDRO TO ASSIST IN THE DETERMINATION OF APPROPRIATE RESPONSES. USAID/OFDA FUNDS ARE TO BE USED FOR IMMEDIATE DISASTER RELIEF OR REHABILITATION, NOT FOR LONG-TERM RECONSTRUCTION. RELIEF ASSISTANCE IS PROVIDED TO SAVE LIVES AND REDUCE HUMAN SUFFERING. DISASTER REHABILITATION IS INTERMEDIATE-TERM ACTIVITIES TO ASSIST DISASTER STRICKEN POPULATIONS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO RETURN TO SELF- SUFFICIENCY. USAID/OFDA WILL CONSIDER THE RELIEF PHASE COMPLETED WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE ONSET OF A SUDDEN DISASTER EVENT, UNLESS THE POST REQUESTS AND USAID/OFDA APPROVES A CONTINUATION OF THE INITIAL RESPONSE PERIOD. HOWEVER, USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE MAY BE PROVIDED FOR AS LONG AS THE DISASTER REQUIRES EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE. RELIEF ASSISTANCE FOR ONGOING DISASTERS SUCH AS DROUGHT AND CIVIL STRIFE REQUIRE A REDECLARATION CABLE AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH NEW USG FISCAL YEAR (OCTOBER 1). POST NEEDS TO CONSIDER WHETHER A RENEWAL OF A DISASTER DECLARATION IN A NEW FISCAL YEAR IS REQUIRED.

HOW USAID/OFDA MAY ASSIST THE MDRO

11. CAPABILITIES: IN ADDITION TO RELEASING UP TO USD 50,000 OF DISASTER ASSISTANCE FUNDS, USAID/OFDA HAS SEVERAL ADDITIONAL CAPACITIES FOR PROVIDING DISASTER ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING: DEPLOYMENT OF USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS, AN ASSESSMENT TEAM OR A DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAM (DART); PROVISION OF RELIEF

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COMMODITIES FROM USAID/OFDA STOCKPILES; AND ADDITIONAL DISASTER FUNDING OF NGO, IO, AND U.N. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROPOSALS OR APPEALS. BASED ON THE MAGNITUDE OF THE DISASTER AND THE HOST COUNTRY'S OWN RESPONSE CAPACITIES, ADDITIONAL RESOURCES MAY INCLUDE DEPLOYING:

A. REGIONAL ADVISORS: IN ADDITION TO THE PRE-DISASTER GUIDANCE THAT USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS CAN PROVIDE, THEY ALSO ASSIST IN DONOR COORDINATION AND LIAISON, ASSESSMENTS, MONITORING AND REPORTING, LOGISTICS FOR RELIEF COMMODITIES, COMMUNICATIONS WITH USAID/OFDA/WASHINGTON, AND OTHER ASPECTS OF POST'S RELIEF EFFORT. (NOTE: A DISASTER DECLARATION IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THE DEPLOYMENT OF REGIONAL ADVISORS. END NOTE.)

B. ASSESSMENT TEAMS: THE ASSESSMENT TEAM PROVIDES USAID/OFDA/WASHINGTON AND POST WITH INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO MAKE TIMELY DECISIONS REGARDING THE USG DISASTER RESPONSE. USAID/OFDA'S ASSESSMENT TEAMS ARE TYPICALLY COMPRISED OF SECTOR SPECIALISTS (E.G., EXPERTS IN HEALTH, NUTRITION, AGRICULTURE, WATER/SANITATION, SHELTER, GEOHAZARDS, LOGISTICS, AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT), AS WELL AS SUPERVISORY STAFF FAMILIAR WITH USAID/OFDA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. (NOTE: A DISASTER DECLARATION IS NOT REQUIRED FOR USAID/OFDA TO DEPLOY AN ASSESSMENT TEAM. END NOTE.)

C. DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAM (DART): USAID/OFDA'S DIRECTOR, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE U.S. AMBASSADOR OR ACTING COM IN THE AFFECTED COUNTRY, MAY DEPLOY A DART, BASED ON THE MAGNITUDE AND SEVERITY OF THE DISASTER. A DART IS A TEAM OF DISASTER SPECIALISTS WHO DEPLOY TO ASSIST A POST OR POSTS IN MANAGING THE USG RESPONSE TO A DISASTER. A DART WILL EXPEDITE
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USAID/OFDA'S RESPONSE, GATHER INFORMATION AND REPORT ON THE DISASTER SITUATION, ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE OVERALL HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE (INCLUDING USG-FUNDED RELIEF ACTIVITIES), IDENTIFY UNMET HUMANITARIAN NEEDS, ADVISE THE MISSION ON DISASTER ISSUES, AND MANAGE USG FIELD RELIEF ACTIVITIES. THE DART STRUCTURE PROVIDES MANAGEMENT, PLANNING, LOGISTICS, OPERATIONS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CAPACITIES, AND IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, CONTRACTING CAPACITY. IN ADDITION, THE DART PROVIDES INFORMATION AND PROGRAMMING SUPPORT BY REPORTING ON HUMANITARIAN CONDITIONS, LIAISING WITH THE RELIEF COMMUNITY, REVIEWING PROPOSALS, AND RECOMMENDING FUNDING. USAID/OFDA MAY REQUEST POST'S ASSISTANCE, WHEN NECESSARY, IN ARRANGING FOR THE IMPORTATION AND LICENSING OF COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTER EQUIPMENT USED BY THE DART (E.G. GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEMS, HAND-HELD RADIOS, SATELLITE PHONES, HIGH FREQUENCY RADIOS, LAPTOP COMPUTERS, AND/OR DIGITAL CAMERAS). RADIO FREQUENCIES FOR THE U.S. EMBASSY, NGOS, U.N. AGENCIES, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES MAY ALSO BE REQUESTED BY DART PERSONNEL. A DART MIGHT ALSO REQUEST ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONSULAR SUPPORT FROM POST.

D. USAID/OFDA RELIEF COMMODITIES: USAID/OFDA MAY PROVIDE DISASTER RELIEF COMMODITIES (E.G., BLANKETS, PLASTIC SHEETING, WATER CONTAINERS, OR OTHER ESSENTIAL RELIEF COMMODITIES) FROM USAID/OFDA'S VARIOUS STOCKPILES WHEN APROPRIATE. A DETAILED LISTING OF STOCKPILED COMMODITIES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM USAID/OFDA AND SHOULD BE KEPT AS PART OF THE MDRP. USAID/OFDA CAN CONTRACT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES VIA SEALIFT OR LAND TRANSPORT; USAID/OFDA MAY ALSO FUND AIR TRANSPORT OF EMERGENCY COMMODITIES WHEN URGENT DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS DICTATE. COMMODITY SHIPMENT REQUESTS MUST IDENTIFY, BY NAME, THE RESPONSIBLE CONSIGNEE AND IN-COUNTRY POINT OF CONTACT, INCLUDING TELEPHONE AND FAX NUMBERS. POST SHOULD ALSO AFFIRM THAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMODITIES HAVE BEEN SECURED. REQUESTS FOR
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USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE SHOULD INDICATE ANY LIMITATIONS ON THE SIZE AND CAPACITY OF THE RECEIVING AIRPORT, SEAPORT, AND/OR WAREHOUSE, INCLUDING THE AVAILABILITY OF DISCHARGE LABOR AND FACILITIES. REQUESTS ALSO SHOULD INDICATE WHETHER DOD AND UNIFORMED SERVICE PERSONNEL ARE AUTHORIZED TO TRAVEL IN-COUNTRY AS USAID/OFDA OFTEN USES DOD TO ASSIST WITH THE TRANSPORT OF EMERGENCY RELIEF COMMODITIES.

E. NGO/IO/U.N. FUNDING: USAID/OFDA PROVIDES FUNDING TO NGO AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO IMPLEMENT EMERGENCY PROGRAM ASSISTANCE FOR DISASTER RESPONSE ACTIVITIES. NGOS WORKING DIRECTLY WITH THE DISASTER VICTIMS ARE USAID/OFDA'S PREFERRED FUNDING RECIPIENTS. NGOS DO NOT HAVE TO BE U.S.-BASED, NOR DO THEY HAVE TO BE REGISTERED WITH USAID. USAID/OFDA SOLICITS POST'S KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE WITH THE NGO COMMUNITY BEFORE REACHING A FUNDING DECISION. THE LOCAL RED CROSS/RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES CAN BE SUPPORTED WITH USAID/OFDA FUNDS THROUGH GRANTS TO THE AMERICAN RED CROSS, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETY (ICRC), AND/OR THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES (IFRC) IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND.

POSTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REVIEW NGO PROPOSALS AND IO OR U.N. APPEALS AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS. SPECIFICALLY, POSTS SHOULD REVIEW NGO PROPOSALS TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE PREPARED ACCORDING TO USAID/OFDA'S GRANT PROPOSALS AND REPORTING GUIDELINES (AVAILABLE AT WWW.USAID.GOV/HUM_RESPONSE/OFDA/FILES/PVOGUIDE.PDF), AND INCLUDE ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION. IF A USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISOR OR OTHER USAID/OFDA FIELD REPRESENTATIVE IS WORKING WITH POST ON THE DISASTER RESPONSE, THE REGIONAL ADVISOR'S PRIOR CLEARANCE OR COMMENTS NORMALLY SHOULD BE OBTAINED. THE MISSION-ENDORSED PROPOSAL IS REVIEWED BY USAID/OFDA/WASHINGTON AND SHARED WITH THE APPROPRIATE USAID GEOGRAPHIC

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BUREAU, AS NECESSARY, BEFORE THE FUNDING ACTIVITY IS APPROVED.

IN REVIEWING GRANT PROPOSALS, POSTS SHOULD BE MINDFUL OF USAID ACQUISITION AND ASSISTANCE POLICY DIRECTIVE (AAPD) 02-04, WHICH REFERS TO U.S. EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND LAWS THAT PROHIBIT TRANSACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH TERRORISM AND WHICH REQUIRES INCLUSION OF CERTAIN SPECIFIED LANGUAGE IN ALL USAID CONTRACTS AND ASSISTANCE INSTRUMENTS. IT IS THE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RECIPIENT TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THESE EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND LAWS.

IN EXECUTING A GRANT TO AN NGO, USAID/OFDA CAN PROVIDE A MISSION FUND CITE IF THE MISSION HAS LOCAL CONTRACTING OR GRANT AUTHORITY, OR USAID/WASHINGTON CAN CONTRACT DIRECTLY WITH THE NGO'S HEADQUARTERS. (NOTE: WHEN PROVIDING FUNDS TO A NON-USAID POST, THE COMMITMENT IS RECORDED AT USAID/WASHINGTON AND THE POST IS REQUIRED TO FORWARD THE OBLIGATING DOCUMENT TO USAID/OFDA. THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE OBLIGATING DOCUMENT MAY RESULT IN THE DE-OBLIGATION OF THE FUNDS. END NOTE.) USAID/OFDA WILL MONITOR

AND EVALUATE THE PERFORMANCE OF USAID/OFDA-FUNDED RELIEF EFFORTS
IN ACCORDANCE WITH USAID/OFDA'S GUIDELINES.

USAID/OFDA SECTOR-SPECIFIC ASSISTANCE

12. SECTOR-SPECIFIC ASSISTANCE: USAID/OFDA MAY PROVIDE
ASSISTANCE, IN ADDITION TO PERFORMING OR SUPPORTING ASSESSMENTS,
INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING SECTORS:

A. SHELTER: USAID/OFDA CAN PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER SUPPLIES
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OR SUPPORT THE LOCAL PURCHASE OF SHELTER MATERIALS, IF NEEDED.
BECAUSE USAID/OFDA DOES NOT ENCOURAGE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TENT
CAMPS FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC HEALTH, ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND
ECONOMIC REASONS, TENTS WILL BE PROVIDED ONLY IN RARE
CIRCUMSTANCES.

B. WATER: USAID/OFDA MAY FUND NGO ACTIVITIES SUCH AS WELL
REHABILITATION, POTABLE WATER PRODUCTION, AND LOCAL DISTRIBUTION
TO CRITICAL AREAS. USAID/OFDA CAN ALSO PROVIDE FIVE-GALLON
WATER CONTAINERS, WATER BLADDERS, AND A LIMITED NUMBER OF
PORTABLE WATER PURIFICATION UNITS.

C. SANITATION: USAID/OFDA SUPPORTS THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY
SANITATION FACILITIES.

D. HEALTH: USAID/OFDA PROVIDES FUNDING FOR BASIC HEALTH SUPPORT
PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND ESSENTIAL MEDICATIONS
FROM USAID-APPROVED SOURCES FOR EMERGENCY HEALTH PROGRAMS.
USAID/OFDA WILL SUPPORT PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS, EMERGENCY
IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMS, AND CLINICAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES FOR
SPECIFICALLY TARGETED GROUPS FOLLOWING DISASTERS. USAID/OFDA WILL
NOT FUND THE PHYSICAL RECONSTRUCTION OF HOSPITALS.

E. FOOD: USAID/OFDA DOES NOT USUALLY PROVIDE DIRECT EMERGENCY FOOD
ASSISTANCE. THE USG'S FOOD PROGRAMS ARE ADMINISTERED BY USAID'S
OFFICE OF FOOD FOR PEACE (USAID/FFP) AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE'S/FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE (USDA/FAS). INFORMATION
ABOUT THESE PROGRAMS IS AVAILABLE AT WWW.USAID.GOV/HUM_RESPONSE/FFP
AND WWW.FAS.USDA.GOV WEBSITES. IN SITUATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO
USAID/FFP FOOD AID IN THE PIPELINE, USAID/OFDA MAY PROVIDE FUNDS TO
POSTS TO PURCHASE EMERGENCY FOOD SUPPLIES LOCALLY AND/OR FUND

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EMERGENCY NGO INTERNAL PURCHASE PROGRAMS FOR A LIMITED DURATION

UNTIL OTHER SOURCES ARE IDENTIFIED. USAID/OFDA MAY ALSO PURCHASE BLENDED FOODS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY OR THERAPEUTIC FEEDING PROGRAMS.

F. OTHER: USAID/OFDA CAN SUPPORT A WIDE RANGE OF HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES INCLUDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SUPPORT FOR DONOR COORDINATION UNITS, SEARCH AND RESCUE EFFORTS, AND NGO FOOD MONITORING AND SURVEILLANCE. USAID/OFDA ENCOURAGES MISSIONS TO PROMOTE DONOR COORDINATION AND HOST GOVERNMENT COORDINATION GROUPS, WHERE NONE EXIST. USAID/OFDA WILL CO-FINANCE EMERGENCY PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DONORS WHEN NEEDED. USAID/OFDA ALSO MAINTAINS A MILITARY LIAISON UNIT (MLU) TO FACILITATE CIVILIAN-MILITARY ACTIVITIES THROUGH COLLABORATIVE PLANNING, OPERATIONS, AND TRAINING. THE MLU MAY BE CALLED UPON FOR LIAISING WITH MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS.

ACCOUNTABILITY

13. DISASTER ASSISTANCE IS SUBJECT TO THE SAME AUDIT OVERSIGHT AS OTHER FORMS OF AID. GRANT RECIPIENTS AND CONTRACTORS ARE ACCOUNTABLE FOR FUNDS, SUPPLIES, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THEIR GRANTS AND CONTRACTS. INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION CONTAINS A NOTWITHSTANDING CLAUSE ENABLING GOODS AND SERVICES TO BE PROCURED OUTSIDE THE STANDARD USG AND USAID PROCEDURES DURING EMERGENCIES. POSTS SHOULD, NEVERTHELESS, VERIFY THAT CONTRACTORS AND GRANTEES ARE RESPONSIBLE AND THAT GOODS AND SERVICES ARE REASONABLY PRICED. USAID MISSIONS IN RECIPIENT COUNTRIES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MONITORING GRANTEE AND CONTRACTOR PROGRAMS,

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INCLUDING DISASTER FUNDS DISBURSEMENT AND ACCOUNTING. ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE NOTWITHSTANDING CLAUSE CAN BE DIRECTED TO THE USAID/GENERAL COUNSEL/DCHA, THE REGIONAL LEGAL ADVISOR, OR THE USAID/OFDA PROGRAM SUPPORT (PS) DIVISION.

AFTER THE DISASTER RESPONSE

14. USAID/OFDA REQUESTS FROM THE MDRO A FINAL REPORTING CABLE SUMMARIZING THE DISASTER EVENT, PEOPLE AND SECTORS AFFECTED, AND ASSISTANCE PROVIDED. THE MDRO SHOULD ALSO ORGANIZE AN AFTER ACTION REVIEW WITH POST AND OTHER USG OFFICIALS UPON COMPLETION OF THE RELIEF EFFORT. USAID OFFICIALS MAY BE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN A USAID/OFDA AFTER ACTION REVIEW.

USAID/OFDA REGIONAL OFFICES

15. USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS: USAID/OFDA MAINTAINS REGIONAL OFFICES IN SEVERAL LOCATIONS WORLDWIDE TO ASSIST IN RESPONDING TO DISASTERS AND TO DEVELOP DISASTER PLANNING, PREPAREDNESS, AND RELIEF STRATEGIES. AID/OFDA/WASHINGTON STRONGLY ADVISES POSTS TO MAINTAIN REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS WITH THEIR USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS, AND REGIONAL ADVISORS SHOULD BE KEPT INFORMED OF MDRO ACTIVITIES AND ARE AVAILABLE TO VISIT POSTS AND PERFORM EMERGENCY DISASTER ASSESSMENTS UPON REQUEST. USAID/OFDA REGIONAL ADVISORS SHOULD BE THE FIRST POINT OF CONTACT IF A USAID/OFDA REGIONAL OFFICE EXISTS IN YOUR REGION. THE FOLLOWING THREE PARAGRAPHS IDENTIFY THE LOCATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE VARIOUS

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USAID/OFDA REGIONAL OFFICES AND SUB-OFFICES.

AFRICA: MR. PETER RILEY IS USAID/OFDA'S SENIOR REGIONAL ADVISOR FOR EAST, CENTRAL, AND SOUTHERN AFRICA IN NAIROBI, KENYA. MS. KIM SMITH IS USAID/OFDA'S DEPUTY SENIOR REGIONAL ADVISOR AND OTHER REGIONAL ADVISORS ARE MS. MIA BEERS, MR. DAVID CHIKODZORE, MR. ERIC KAGAME, AND MR. JACK MYER. USAID/OFDA'S AFRICA REGIONAL OFFICE CAN BE REACHED AT 254-2-862-920.

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC: MR. TOM DOLAN IS USAID/OFDA'S ASIA AND PACIFIC SENIOR REGIONAL ADVISOR IN MANILA, PHILIPPINES. MS. MARIZA ROGERS IS A REGIONAL ADVISOR IN MANILA. THEY CAN BE REACHED AT 63-2-552-9883/552-9800 EXT. 9884. AN ADDITIONAL ASIA REGIONAL ADVISOR, MR. WILLIAM BERGER, IS BASED IN KATHMANDU, NEPAL, AND CAN BE REACHED AT 977-1-270-144.

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN: MR. PAUL BELL IS USAID/OFDA'S SENIOR REGIONAL ADVISOR FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (LAC) IN SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA. OTHER LAC REGIONAL ADVISORS INCLUDE MR. RENE CARRILLO, MR. ALEJANDRO JAMES, MR. TIM CALLAGHAN, AND MR. GUY LAWSON. ALL ARE AVAILABLE AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 506-296-3554. AN ADDITIONAL LAC REGIONAL ADVISOR, MS. JULIE LEONARD, IS BASED IN BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS AND CAN BE REACHED AT 246-228-8584.

USAID/OFDA WASHINGTON CONTACTS

16. ALL REQUESTS FOR FUNDS, SITUATION REPORTS, AND OTHER INFORMATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE USAID/OFDA/WASHINGTON

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REGIONAL COORDINATORS: CENTRAL AFRICA (ACTING, MR. TIM MCRAE: 202-712-1126); EAST AFRICA (ACTING, MR. JOHN MARKS: 202-712-4434); SOUTH, WEST, AND NORTHERN AFRICA (MS. SUREKA KHANDAGLE: 202-712-4225); ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (MR. ROB THAYER: 202-712-1257); EUROPE, MIDDLE EAST, AND CENTRAL ASIA (MR. GEORGE HAVENS: 202-712-4181); AND LATIN AMERICA

AND THE CARIBBEAN (ACTING, MS. GISELLE ZIMMERMAN: 202-712- 5754). REGIONAL COORDINATOR CONTACT INFORMATION IS REGULARLY UPDATED ON USAID/OFDA'S WEBSITE USAID.GOV/HUM_RESPONSE/OFDA/DRMPHONE.HTML. THE FUNCTIONAL COORDINATOR FOR NGOS, IOS, AND DONORS IS MS. ANITA MENGHETTI (202-712-4946). THE NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF THE APPROPRIATE REGIONAL COORDINATOR OR OTHER DESIGNATED TEAM MEMBER WILL BE INCLUDED IN USAID/OFDA'S CABLE RESPONSE TO THE DISASTER DECLARATION. MISSIONS/EMBASSIES ALSO MAY CALL USAID/OFDA AT 202-712-0400 DURING DAYTIME HOURS (0800-1700 HOURS LOCAL TIME) IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AFTER BUSINESS HOURS, EVENINGS, WEEKENDS, AND HOLIDAYS, THE USAID/OFDA DUTY OFFICER CAN BE CONTACTED BY CALLING THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S OPERATIONS CENTER AT 202-647-1512. USAID/OFDA'S FAX NUMBERS ARE: 202-216-3706/3707.

17. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.
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